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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the office action of June 14, 2005, Applicants elect the claims of Group II, claims 12-36.

The requirement for restriction is respectfully traversed in that the apparatus of claim 11 will, in all likelihood, perform the steps of at least method claim 1. Thus, a search directed to the apparatus will also be directed toward claim Any incremental burden on the Examiner to also examine claims 1-11 would thus be minimal, and would save the Applicants' assignee a large amount of additional expense.

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